

Issue Paper #6 Implementation
Proposed SGC Activities for Budget Authorization
 To consider for approval at the March 17th 2010 Council Meeting

Staff Recommendation: In order to carry out the Council's statutory duties and priorities staff recommends funding the following activities in the chart below. This chart is based On Issue Paper #6 that was presented at the January 11 Council Meeting.

Background: According to Proposition 84 Chapter 10 Section 75072: “**Up to 10 percent of Funds** allocated for each program funded by this division may be used to finance planning and monitoring necessary for the successful design, selection, and implementation of the Projects authorized under that program.” The following represents **only 1.35 percent of Funds**.

Area	Amount Needed/Requested	Nexus to SGC Urban Greening and Planning Grant Programs	Benefits to eligible Applicants (cities/counties/MPOs/etc)
Local Government/Program Outreach			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sustainable Communities Learning Network 	\$600,000 over 3 years	To monitor projects and create best practices.	Monitor and strengthen future applications.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding Wizard 	\$125,000	To add capacity to tool to help applicants understand sustainable community co-benefits for leveraging funding.	Allow for more comprehensive, multi-objective proposals that leverage additional funding sources.
State Agency Coordination			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> State Agency Learning Network 	\$200,000 over 3 years	State Coordination and support for grant applications and projects.	Leveraging of funds and technical support
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> State Grants Administrators Coordination Workshop 	\$200,000 over 3 years	Integrating SGC objectives into existing state programs can leverage the urban greening and planning program	Allowing for better collaboration and coordination among the SGC grant programs and other state grant programs to strengthen all of them in meeting state objectives.
Measuring and Monitoring Success			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> California Regional Progress Report 	\$200,000	Development of outcomes and indicators to measure success.	Development of outcomes and indicators to measure success.
Council Priority Areas Symposiums and Program Development			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> E.g. School Siting Conference 	\$600,000 over 3 yrs	Policy development, legislation, tools and support for urban greening and sustainable communities planning programs	Additional resources and tools for application and projects.
Total Funding Request	\$1,925,000		